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MANY CHANGES ABOUT TOWN ARE NOTED

Zimmerman Store to Be Occupied by Cigar Store Candy Kitchen Moved--Stores Brightening Up.

The Candy Kitchen is being moved to one of the rooms in the old Fiser building.

Oliver Nicely is having a modern front placed in his saloon building. Letson, the jeweler, has made some improvements in the show windows of his store room.

The painters have been busy for several days in the Ontario Meat Market, brightening things up.

Councilman Zimmerman has leased his store room for a cigar stand and lunch room to be run by George Blanton and T. Redaill.

Nathaniel Sims, the second section of A. Z. will move his clothes cleaning establishment to the room made vacant by the moving of the Candy Kitchen.

Westfall brothers are building new homes in Riverside addition.

Mrs. Anne Jackson has a large addition to her east side home about completed.

J. F. Arnold has the frame work up for a new home south of the Baptist church.

The Joe Schall home is well along and will make a very roomy house.

WHOLESALE HOUSES CARRY GOODS HERE

Bench Apple Growers Are Making Ontario Their Shipping Point

Ontario is rapidly developing into a jobbing center and many of the wholesale houses find it desirable to carry stocks here in order to properly look after their trade.

During the past few days we have noticed orders going to Vale, Jamieson, Brogan, Juntura, Harpers, Burns, Weiser, Payette, Fruitland, Emmett, Smith's Ferry, Gooding, Blinn, Nyssa, Adrian, Homedale and other points.

Stocks are carried here by Allen and Lewis, Oaks, Falk's and other houses.

Many of the apple growers on the bench are shipping from Ontario and another year there will be more who will take advantage of the better rate and improved service.

The output of the Wann evaporator is being shipped from here and it is likely there will be other dryers operating here next season as the produce is here to keep several working a long time each season.

BRAKEMAN INJURED IN WRECK AT JUNTURA DIES AT HOSPITAL

Frank E. Buckley, the brakeman who was injured in the railroad wreck near Juntura, died at the hospital Saturday. His brother and sister were here from Minnesota and took the body there for burial. He was 32 years of age.

SEWER AND DRAIN DITCH NOW PUSHING AHEAD FAST

The big sewer and drain ditch is going along making a little better than a 100 feet a day and this is where the big pipe is being used and the cut is from ten to twelve feet deep.

When the ditch is completed a few hundred feet farther the cut will not be near so heavy and the pipe will be smaller which will enable them to go much faster. The strata where the pipe is being laid carry a large quantity of water and the effect of this can be seen in the disappearance of many of the water holes.

AMERICA REASSURED BY GREAT BRITAIN

London.—Prime Minister Asquith discussed the Mexican question in his annual speech at the lord mayor's banquet.

"Our interests in Mexico," said the prime minister, "call for vigilant care. Mexico is still in the throes of a civil war, but there never was and never has been any question of political intervention by Great Britain in the domestic concerns of Mexico, or in the Central or South American states."

"There have been rumors that after the United States had adopted a line of their own in regard to Mexico we took a line calculated deliberately to thwart America. There is not a vestige of foundation for such a rumor."

"We have recognized President Huerta, because, having neither the will nor the power to intervene, we were bound to deal with the de facto government, and, because of information then in our possession, there appeared to be no element except that of Huerta and his supporters which offered any prospect of the restoration of the stability and order."

JOHN PURROY MITCHELL



John Purroy Mitchell, fusion candidate for mayor, who administered a crushing defeat to Tammany in the New York election.

TAXABLE PROPERTY JUMPS

County Boards Place Oregon Valuations at \$213,268,527 for 1913.

Salem.—The total value of taxable property as equalized by the county boards of equalization in Oregon, not including the property of public service corporations which will be assessed by the state tax commission for 1913 is \$213,268,527, according to an announcement of the commission.

The increase over 1912 is \$42,173,246. Messrs. Eaton and Galloway, state tax commissioners, said the levy which would be made December 1 would be about 5 mills, a large increase being necessary to meet the appropriations and other expenses of the last session of the legislature.

THAW'S EXTRADITION SIGNED

Writ of Habeas Corpus Prevents His Removal to New York State.

Concord, N. H.—Governor Felker of New Hampshire signed the extradition papers returning Harry K. Thaw to New York at the request of Governor Glynn. Thaw's extradition resulted from a charge of conspiracy in connection with his escape from the Matteawan asylum. This decision, it is said, does not mean that Thaw will be returned immediately to Matteawan.

Belliss Not Guilty of Ritual Murder.

Kiev, Russia.—Mendel Belliss was acquitted in the famous "ritual murder" trial.

The trial of Belliss, a Russian of Hebrew faith, for the alleged murder for purposes of "blood ritual" of Andrew Yushinski, a Christian lad, began on October 8. The case caused an immediate sensation which stirred the whole of Russia.

AGRICULTURAL LECTURES PROVE VERY INSTRUCTIVE

Prof. Holden and Coterie of Speakers Tell Farmers of this Section Many Valuable Truths Along the Line of Scientific Farming.

The P. G. Holden party was here the first of the week and covered this section very thoroughly, taking their message to the farmers and their children in the school houses and local halls.

These men get at the farmer in a little different way than most educators and their whole message is prompt because it is feared the west will some day be in the same condition as the farms of the east are today. Already we are importing \$250,000,000 worth of produce more than we are exporting, when we should have the balance in our favor.

At one time India was as fertile as this valley, while her lands are so impoverished today that over 90 million of her people go to bed hungry every night.

If the farmers of the west pursue the same methods as their fathers in another fifty years the United States will be dependent on her neighbors for food and this was the message delivered by these speakers in their many talks.

Prof. Holden arrived here Saturday and was taken over the country surrounding here, on both sides of the river, by J. R. Blackaby and in the evening went to the home of A. G. Kingman, where he remained until Monday morning.

On Monday C. M. Carroll and W. R. Baughman held meetings at Wade's school house in the Big Bend, Roswell and Parma, where they were greeted with good audiences who thoroughly appreciated what these men had to say.

P. G. Holden and J. E. Waggoner held meetings at Arcadia, Owyhee, Hunt and Gibson's Nyssa, Boulevard Grange hall. These meetings were attended by practically every farmer in those sections and in some cases the farmers followed the speakers around and heard them talk several times, eager to learn all possible from these experienced men.

On Tuesday the first meeting was held at the Ontario high school, where Prof. Holden made the address to the pupils and a small number of town people. Then there were two meetings

at Fruitland in the afternoon, at Maillet's, and in the Maze theatre in the evening.

One of the most novel ideas advanced was the good properties of sweet clover, being equal, if not superior to alfalfa for cows and hogs, but it must be cut down, not allowed to get woody and should be sowed thick and cut for hay when about eighteen inches high. Cattle and hogs soon learn to like it. H. L. Poorman says he tried it and his cow did much better than on alfalfa and it will not bloat animals.

Fatherita, a new plant resembling Kafir corn, will grow with only a few inches of rainfall and produce a large tonnage. Corn should be cut when the kernels commence to harden and placed in a silo, to get the highest seeding value and when mixed with alfalfa makes an ideal food for all animals. The alfalfa contains the elements necessary to build the frame of the animals, supplying the bone, blood and muscles, while the corn supplies the fat.

Diversified farming enriches the soil, a one crop system robs it.

Alfalfa should be cut when the new sprouts start to grow, if left too long you cut off the new sprouts and stunt the plant, if cut too soon the hot sun may injure the new shoots. If the weather will not permit the curing of alfalfa, stack it with alternate layers of saw and use some salt. Alfalfa leaves are the best part of the plant and should be saved, rake up the hay while it is tough. Alfalfa should be cultivated with a spring tooth harrow, a disk harrow will injure the roots.

Alfalfa is worth more than wheat bran for cows, containing more protein. Stock appreciates a variety of foods, just as much as man.

It is a crime to sell alfalfa at \$5 a ton and let the buyer make \$10 a ton by feeding.

Use your head, a man from the neck down is worth about \$1.50 a day, from the neck up some men are worth \$50,000 a year.

The dairyman who uses his head is the one who has the good barns and ranches.

MEXICO REALIZES SITUATION DELICATE

Mexico City.—Government officials, foreign residents and the people of Mexico realize that the relations between this country and the United States are strained almost to the point of war.

It General Huerta is anxious regarding what may develop, he does not betray it. Although he has sent to the diplomatic representatives of the foreign nations a note, which in effect is a defiance of Washington.

In his formal statement to the diplomats General Huerta said it was now foreseen that the recent elections were void, as too few precincts had participated in the voting and that therefore the new congress would annul the elections. New elections would then be called and he would continue his programme of pacification.

President Huerta's backbone has been stiffened by the receipt of sufficient funds to operate the government until the end of the present month and the implied promise of further financial aid if the new congress should act favorably on certain old land concessions.

WILLIAM F. M'COMBS



William F. McCombs, chairman of the democratic national committee, who was recently married in London to an American girl.

TRAINMEN GET MORE PAY

100,000 Men to Share \$6,000,000 Increase in Wages.

New York.—The long-lived controversy between railroads of the east and their conductors and trainmen over the latter's demands for more pay has ended.

The employees are granted an increase of wages averaging 7 per cent, and totaling \$6,000,000, about half of what they asked.

One hundred thousand men will share in the increase.

Thus ends by arbitration under the Newlands amendment to the Erdman act a controversy that threatened at one time to tie up by strike the transportation facilities of all states east of the Mississippi river and north of the Ohio.

WANT EXPERIMENTAL FARM

Never Has Been Determined What Section Offers in Agricultural Way.

Klamath Falls.—The first steps have been taken to get an experimental farm for Klamath county. The county court has been asked to make a special levy to employ an expert and to maintain the farm. The members of the court have signified a willingness to further the movement.

Farming in the Klamath country is yet in the experimental state. A farm conducted under an expert should prove of material assistance to the early development of the farm lands of the vast area embraced in Klamath county. Rapid strides in farming have been made in recent years.

Unitarians Will Meet.

Hood River.—The North Pacific conference of Unitarian churches will be held at Hood River November 11, 12 and 13. The Unitarian churches of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana will be represented in the conference.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MOORE HOTEL

Top Floor Being Finished Modern Elevator to be Installed And Many Other New Features Added.

The Moore hotel under the ownership of W. U. Sandersen, is going to be a credit to Ontario and will be the means of making this the mecca for the traveling public.

This week the carpenters are busy fitting up a ladies reception room on the ground floor, next to the dining room, with openings from the lobby and street. Reflected lights, paneling and other work will make this the handsomest room in this section and one that the ladies will appreciate.

The top floor is being finished and will be ready for guests in a short time with all modern conveniences.

An elevator has been ordered which will have all the latest improvements and attachments, making it absolutely safe under all conditions. The car cannot be moved while the door is open and a patent clutch will hold the car if the cables should break and many other equally desirable improvements are attached.

The lobby is also undergoing changes under the direction of an able architect, who has made a specialty of hotels.

A. J. DRAPER GETS CONTRACT FOR CHANGES

To Be Made in Carter House Boise Firm to Install Plumbing Fixtures

Two contracts were let this week for the changes to be made in the Carter house. A. J. Draper received the contract for the addition to the three story part, which is to be used for the new kitchen and dining room and the alterations in the sleeping rooms.

The contract calls for the installation of five bath rooms and changes in the barber shop and bar room.

The contract for the plumbing work and the installing of water in all the bedrooms was let to a Boise firm.

Later another contract will be let for the changes in the corner room to make it suitable for banking.

COUNCIL MAN INVESTIGATES LIGHT PROPOSITION HERE

J. D. Neale, of Council, was here last week looking up data on the electric plant. The Council people are figuring on a municipal light and power plant and want to get posted before they start in.

J. R. FARRELL, BIGAMIST, DIVORCES HIS SECOND WIFE

J. R. Farrell, the man who found he had two wives and tried to get out of sight, got a divorce from his second wife a few days ago. He claims that his first wife notified him that she had secured a divorce from him and after he married wife No. 2 then she confessed that she had not obtained a divorce.

DR. GOLDSBERRY LEAVES ON SHORT TRIP TO JORDAN VALLEY

Dr. Goldsberry the dentist, has gone to Jordan Valley for a few weeks and will then return and go south for the winter months where he will try outdoor life in order to build up. The doctor has hosts of friends here who hope to see him return fully recovered.

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL IS HELD

A regular adjourned meeting of the council was held Wednesday evening. Resignation of Deputy H. L. Noe as city night marshal accepted and police department authorized to fill vacancy.

Objection from N. C. Kries, W. E. Lees, L. Belle Lees and Mary J. Balllock by W. E. Lees, remonstrating against the sewer assessment for trunk drain and sewer No. 2, was presented and motion unanimously overruled.

Liquor license bond of Sam J. Ballin passed and accepted.

Ordinance No. 244 was passed, covering the confirmation of the assessment roll on trunk sewer No. 2 as filed by commissioner.

All wishing to avail themselves of the Bancroft act must file notice of their intention within ten days on blanks which will be furnished them.

Ordinance No. 245, manner of construction assessing and collecting for lateral sewer district No. 1 in the southern part the city was passed.

On petition of O'Connor the license fee per quarter for shooting gallery was made \$9.

The matter of No. 2 lateral sewer district covering three blocks north and four blocks south of Nevada avenue will come up later.

Sulzer Asks October Pay. Albany, N. Y.—William Sulzer asserts he is still governor of New York. In a letter to the state treasurer and the state controller he demanded his full salary for the last half of October, 1913.

TWO OLD TIMERS OF THIS SECTION DIE THIS WEEK

Geo. K. Rees died at his home on the Boulevard road Tuesday aged 82 years, 4 months and 15 days. He was buried Wednesday, Rev. Johns officiating. Interment was in Ontario cemetery.

George K. Rees was born in Monroe county, Penn. and was married to Miss Harriet Wrighton June 27, 1856. There was born to them six sons and one daughter, the daughter died in childhood and the sons are living, three of them here who attended the funeral with the bereaved wife and mother. The sons not here were Charles W. who lives in Crestons, Iowa, D. E. in Ferndale, Calif., and Dean A. the youngest, in Julesburg, Colorado.

Mr. Rees was a pioneer of Minnesota and from there went to Iowa when that state was a territory and fourteen years ago he came to Ontario and took up land where he has lived ever since.

John Walker died on the Dead Ox Flat on November 8, aged 82 years, 6 months and 11 days. The funeral was held from the Methodist church Tuesday. He left a son and two daughters.

NEW LIBRARY IS ENCLOSED.

The roof is on the new library building and the work of finishing up by the carpenters will now be started.

When the contractors finish their work it will only be necessary to add a few chairs and books to make it ready for occupancy.